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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- SECTION 1. Section 302A-251, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

 "§302A-251 School year; instructional time. (a)

 Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, beginning with the 2011-2013 school years, all public schools, excluding
- 7 a school year of one hundred eighty days, excluding professional
- 8 development days and other non-instructional days negotiated
- 9 pursuant to chapter 89.
- 10 (b) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary:
- 11 (1) For the 2011-2012 school year, fifty per cent of all

 12 public elementary schools in the State, excluding

 13 charter schools and multi-track public schools, shall

 14 implement a school year that includes nine hundred

 15 fifteen student instructional hours; and
- 16 (2) Beginning with the 2012-2013 school year, all public elementary schools in the State, excluding charter

1	schools and multi-track public schools, shall
2	implement a school year that includes nine hundred
3	fifteen student instructional hours.
4	(c) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, [for]
5	beginning with the [2014-2016] 2015-2016 school [years,] year,
6	all public secondary schools, excluding charter schools and
7	multi-track public schools, shall implement a school year that
8	includes nine hundred ninety student instructional hours.
9	[(d) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, for
10	the 2016 2018 school years, all public schools, excluding
11	charter schools and multi-track public schools, shall implement
12	a school year of one hundred eighty days, excluding professional
13	development days and other non instructional days negotiated
14	pursuant to chapter 89, that shall include one thousand eighty
15	student instructional hours for both elementary and secondary
16	school grades.
17	(e)] (d) The board, in its discretion, may grant a waiver
18	to any individual school subject to the student instructional
19	hours or one hundred eighty day school year requirements in this
20	section. The board shall adopt policies and procedures to grant
21	a waiver under this subsection.

1 [(f)] (e) For purposes of this section, "student 2 instructional hours" [means student learning time during which 3 students are engaged in learning activities including regularly-4 scheduled instruction and learning assessments within the 5 curriculum, and does not include lunch, recess, or passing 6 time.] shall be defined by the board in consultation with the 7 exclusive representatives of the appropriate bargaining units. 8 $\left[\frac{g}{g}\right]$ (f) The department of education, with the board of 9 education and office of the governor, and in consultation with 10 representatives of the affected collective bargaining units, 11 shall submit to the legislature no later than twenty days prior 12 to the convening of the regular sessions of 2013, 2014, 2015, 13 and 2016, [2017, and 2018,] a report on its progress and efforts 14 to meet the requirements of subsections (a), (b), and (c)[, and (d)]." 15 16 SECTION 2. Act 167, Session Laws of Hawaii 2010, as amended by Act 52, Session Laws of Hawaii 2011, is amended by 17 18 repealing section 4. 19 ["SECTION 4. The department of education shall, with the 20 board of education and office of the governor, and in

consultation with representatives of the affected collective

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- 2 twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session of
- 3 2015, a plan to implement beginning with the 2018 2019 school
- 4 year, for elementary and secondary school grades at all public
- 5 schools, excluding charter schools and multi-track public
- 6 schools, a school year of one hundred ninety days, excluding
- 7 professional development days and other non-instructional days
- 8 negotiated pursuant to chapter 89, Hawaii Revised Statutes, that
- 9 shall include one thousand one hundred forty student
- 10 instructional hours.
- 11 For purposes of this section, "student instructional hours"
- 12 shall have the same meaning as in section 302A 251, Hawaii
- 13 Revised Statutes."]
- 14 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 15 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 16 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.

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Report Title:

Department of Education; Student Instructional Hours

Description:

Applies the requirement for all public secondary schools to implement a school year that includes 990 student instructional hours to all school years beginning with the 2015-2016 school year. Repeals the requirement that by the 2016-2018 school years, all public schools implement a school year of 180 days and 1,080 student instructional hours for both elementary and secondary school grades. Clarifies that the definition of "student instructional hours" shall be determined by the board of education in consultation with the exclusive representatives of the appropriate bargaining units.

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